

## **Hello and Welcome to the Teacher Assistant E-Mail List!**

In this message, you will find information related to:

**Spring Teacher Assistant Network Meetings**

**NEW - Teacher Assistant Website!** – it has MOVED

**CCRI Offers the ParaPro Assessment**

**Teacher Assistant List-Serv**

The Spring session of the Teacher Assistant Network meetings are coming up soon. Laura Kacewitz, from the Office of Assessment at the RI Department of Education, will be presenting information on the Teacher's Assistant Role in Assessment. She will talk about formative and summative assessment and how the Teacher Assistant can help collect information related to student progress and planning.

<b>Locations/ Registration Contacts:</b>	<b>TA's Role in Supporting Assessment</b>
Providence – Prov. Employees: Register at <b><u>My Learning Plan</u></b> , Others - To request a registration form, email: <a href="mailto:LKILBY@mail.ri.net">LKILBY@mail.ri.net</a>	March 8, 2012
Northern RI Collaborative <a href="http://www.nric-ri.org">www.nric-ri.org</a>	March 13, 2012
West Bay Collaborative To request a registration form, email: <a href="mailto:LKILBY@mail.ri.net">LKILBY@mail.ri.net</a>	March 15, 2012
East Bay Collaborative <a href="http://www.ebecri.org">www.ebecri.org</a>	March 19, 2012
Southern RI at SK Independent Transition Academy – Independence Square - URI <a href="http://www.ebecri.org">www.ebecri.org</a> - Registration through East Bay	March 27, 2012

All sessions are held from 4-6.

The winter session was recently held with Dr. Kelley Pistacchio presenting on Students with Autism. Participants felt her information and insight into

working with students with autism was very valuable and helpful to them. Don't miss out on the next session!

**Big News** – the website for Teacher Assistants is moving! This new streamlined version will soon be located on the website for the RI Department of Education. It will be easy to find information related to training and employment requirements.

CCRI is now offering the ParaPro Assessment for anyone who has completed a pre-employment training course. The testing schedule is available online and can be accessed at <http://www.ccri.edu/cwce/career/parapro.html> For information about the ParaPro in general, go to [www.ets.org/parapro](http://www.ets.org/parapro)

We will be sending out e-mail messages to interested parties that are on our mailing lists. This will go directly to teacher assistants for whom we have contact information, as well as Teacher Assistant contacts, Special Education Directors and Building Principals. We ask that you post, forward and share this information with other teacher assistants that you know.

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### **News You Would Like to Share –**

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